

NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY

November 21, 2013

The State of Maryland has been awarded \$20 million for disaster recovery efforts from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program. While the majority of funding is to be used in counties that received Presidential Disaster Declarations for Hurricane Sandy, some of the funding can be used for remaining recovery needs in counties that received Presidential Disaster Declarations for Hurricane Irene, Tropical Storm Lee, and the Derecho.

Funding is to be targeted to disaster relief, long-term recovery activities, restoration of infrastructure, housing, and economic revitalization. Activities must address a direct or indirect impact caused by the disasters. Projects and activities to be considered must be eligible for CDBG funding *and* meet a CDBG national objective.

Examples of projects include but are not limited to:

- Buyouts of housing located in floodplains
- Rehabilitation or replacement of housing
- Repairs to storm damaged/impacted infrastructure
- Flood control projects
- Installation of generators for qualifying facilities or housing developments
- Mold remediation
- Assistance to businesses
- Matching funds for Army Corps or FEMA funded projects

The State, through the Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD), has determined that the best course of action is to solicit applications for funding from county governments including Baltimore City. The counties would be required to undertake a comprehensive needs assessment related to the various storm events to identify projects and activities. The assessment must also include projects and activities to be undertaken by municipalities. The counties may, at their discretion, also submit applications for projects and activities to be undertaken by subrecipients, developers or businesses.

An application workshop will be held on December 19th to outline eligibility, requirements, policies, rating criteria and processes. The workshop will begin at 10:00 a.m. and take place at

DHCD which is located at 100 Community Place in Crownsville. The application information will be available on the DHCD website after the 19th.

To register for the application workshop, please choose one of two ways:

- 1) Register online and submit your registration electronically:

<http://www.neighborhoodrevitalization.org/Programs/Catalyst/registration.aspx>

On CDBG Disaster Recovery training, December 19, click on “Sign Up”. Complete the registration form and click on “Register” for electronic submission.

- 2) Fax your name, title, organization, address, e-mail address & phone number to (410) 514-7925 Attn: La Wanda Jones.

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